1914: 88 County Offices of Education (ESCs) created to ensure access to schooling and create a minimum course of study.

1950s: Curriculum, special education and school psychology services established via ESC units.

1960s: ESC services expanded to include special education and vocational education.

1970s: Continued focus on Special Education and Professional Development & ESCs begin Preservice Bus Driver Training.

1980s: Minimum standards and plans of service established for ESCs & service extended to city and EV districts.

1990s: ESCs under 8,000 ADM required to merge.

2000s: Ohio Educational Regional Service System and 16 SSTs created & District choice of ESCs introduced.

In the future, ESCs will continue to be well-positioned and equipped to provide direct technical assistance and support to tomorrow’s public, charter and private schools in the implementation of federal, state and local education reforms. ESCs will continue to be cost effective to ensure universal access to high quality educational opportunities to future generations of Ohio students.